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## OLR Bill Analysis

**SB 927 (File 68, as amended by Senate "A")\***

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF NEW EMPLOYEE IN THE UNEMPLOYED ARMED FORCES MEMBER SUBSIDIZED TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM.***

**SUMMARY:**

This bill expands eligibility for the state's Unemployed Armed Forces Subsidized Training and Employment Program to include all unemployed, honorably discharged U.S. armed forces members who served for at least 90 days. Current law limits eligibility to unemployed, honorably discharged U.S. armed forces members who served for at least 90 days in a combat zone in Afghanistan or Iraq. The 90-day requirement does not apply if the veteran was separated from service due to a service-related disability rated by the Veterans' Administration.

The state Department of Labor administers the Unemployed Armed Forces Subsidized Training and Employment Program, which offers wage subsidies and training grants to certain employers that hire eligible unemployed veterans.

\*Senate Amendment "A" makes the bill effective upon passage instead of October 1, 2013.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Labor and Public Employees Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 11      Nay 0      (03/07/2013)